

PUBLIC REVIEW AND COMMENTS REQUESTED

On the Final Draft of the LAFCO Municipal Service Review Guidelines

The Governor's Office of Planning and Research (OPR) announces the completion of a final draft of the Local Agency Formation Commission Municipal Service Review Guidelines, pursuant to the requirements of AB 2838, Chapter 761, Statutes of 2000; also known as the Cortese-Knox-Hertzberg Local Government Reorganization Act of 2000. Section 56430 of the Government Code requires OPR, in consultation with LAFCOs, the California Association of Local Agency Formation Commissions and other local governments to develop guidelines for the municipal service review process.

For the purpose of implementing Section 56430 OPR has done the following:

- Sponsored three community workshops in March and April 2001 to gain public input for the development of the draft Municipal Service Review Guidelines. Workshops were held in Sacramento, Fresno, and Santa Ana.
- Convened a Working Group of representatives from cities, counties, special districts, local agency formation commissions, Speaker Hertzberg's Office, and the California Local Agency Formation Commission to assist in the creation of the draft Municipal Service Review Guidelines.
- Published the Preliminary Draft Service Review Guidelines on May 11, 2001 and solicited public comments during a 25-day public comment period during May and June 2001.
- Prepared a Draft of the Municipal Service Review Guidelines in August 2001 based on public comments and the advice of the Working Group.
- Convened an additional meeting of the Working Group in August to review comments from the Working Group and the public.
- Prepared this Final Draft of the Municipal Service Review Guidelines for public review in October 2002.

The purpose of this current review and comment period is to provide a **final** opportunity for the public to comment on the LAFCO Municipal Service Review Guidelines prior to publication.

Public Review Period: October 3, 2002 to October 30, 2002.
Comments are due by 5 p.m. on October 30, 2002.

Send Comments: Submit all comments on the Final Draft Municipal Service Review Guidelines to:

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